CHAPTER NO. 668

HOUSE BILL NO. 3346

By Representatives Maddox, Sherry Jones, John DeBerry, Sontany, Mike Turner, Shaw, Pinion, Pruitt, Lois DeBerry, Armstrong, Ferguson, Langster, Marrero, Brenda Turner and Mr. Speaker Naifeh

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2868

By Senator Herron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-3-101, relative to podiatrists.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-3-101(b), is amended by deleting the subdivision (1) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

- (1) Was prior to October 2, 1995, credentialed to perform ankle surgery by a JCAHO-accredited hospital in Tennessee or JCAHO-accredited ambulatory surgical treatment center in Tennessee; provided, a podiatrist who qualifies to perform ankle surgery under this subdivision must, if the podiatrist wishes to continue to perform ankle surgery:
 - (A) Notify the board as to the hospital or ambulatory surgical treatment center at which the podiatrist was credentialed to perform ankle surgery prior to October 2, 1995;
 - (B) Obtain, and maintain evidence of obtaining, at least ten (10) hours of approved continuing education related to ankle surgery annually; and
 - (C) Comply with any other requirements established by the board to ensure continued proficiency in performing ankle surgery; or

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 29, 2004

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 14th day of May 2004

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